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1. The Brandenburg-Arado (W 53/Z 23) airfield was evacuated by the Soviet Air Force. Only some materiel of the unit transferred to Briest (W 53/Z 13) was still stored at the field. The Pioneer Kaserne, previously occupied by air force troops, was now used as billets for Soviet Tank troops.
2. Jet fighters of the following type flew over Brandenburg between 11:17 and 11:45 a.m.: Long fuselage, considerably swept back wings, high rudder assembly, elevator assembly set at upper part of rudder assembly. The planes took off from, and landed at the Briest airfield.

25X1A Comment:

Transfer of the fighter regiment to Briest was confirmed by other sources; it was made in early December 1949. The exact number of jet aircraft assigned to the regiment is unknown. The regiment, which is assigned to the I Gds Ftr Corps, was stationed in Jueterbog prior to the maneuvers in the Fall of 1949.

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